Attention: All Employers

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT AN UPCOMING CALPERS SYSTEM RELEASE - PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY

On Tuesday, October 10, 2006, CalPERS will implement a new release of the COMET Health and Retirement system. This is a re-write of the system program language and does not change any functionality.

There is no direct impact to the ACES application or the process in which you submit your ACES transactions today. However, we do request that you prepare for this release and we recommend the following in order to avoid any potential update problems:

By Friday, October 6th 1:00 p.m. batch:

- Correct all outstanding Agency Errors
- Submit all outstanding batches

This will clear all data pending from the system prior to the beginning of the weekend deployment.

Users can continue keying into the ACES application after 1:00pm on Friday until the system is taken down at 6:00 p.m. However, **DO NOT** submit your batches; leave them in an open state until Tuesday, October 10th when the system is once again ready to accept your batch transactions.

ACES will be unavailable Saturday, October 7th through Monday, October 9th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact the Employer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888**-225-7377).